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Dear Brother Allen,

You asked the following question:

Bro West, are you "ELIJAH"?

I am indeed the Lord's *mustard seed*, His still small voice, the one commissioned to turn the hearts of the parents to the children, the one who unfolds to the remnant of God's SDA church, Davidia, how to escape the judgment, in other words, Elijah! Time for the nominal brethren in the SDA church is almost expired. They had 77 years to heed the announcement of this day given in the *Rod*, by VTH AKA, Elijah, *John the Baptist*. Now he is gone and we must anticipate a new ministry that is to be conducted after the ministerial order of that day. We must expect to arrive — not *John the Baptist*, but— his successor, "**one like** unto the Son of Man". I invite you to think back so as to remember Elijah, the Tishbite. Unlike *John the Baptist*, he did not deliver his message to Judah, the Lord's true church and highest religious order of that day; instead, he went to minister to a completely different house, a house of ill repute, one of the lowest religious order. He went to Ten-tribe Israel, the Lord's wayward people, a house enmeshed in apostasy and idolatry. Had Elijah gone to Judah, he could not have professed isolation and solitude regarding the church saying, "... **the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left;...**" —1 Kings 19: 10. In fact, while Elijah's nemesis, Ahab and Jezebel ruled Israel, Asa, a righteous king —see 1 King 15: 11— ruled Judah. Judah would be comparable to the SDA church, while Israel would be comparable to the Protestant, Sunday-keeping churches. Again, Elijah went to Israel, and the pinnacle of his work came when, after three-and-one-half years of drought, (Luke 4: 25, and 1Kings 18: 1, below), Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal, ended the drought, and quenched the thirst of Israel. You may remember a former E-mail sent recently to you by the MSC where such a theme was discussed. It was shown that the *Rod* can do miracles, but only the Rock can quench your thirst. This is exactly what Israel discovered through Elijah's ministry as Christ sent him to end the drought: "**And it came to pass after many days, that the word of the Lord came to Elijah in the third year, saying, Go shew thyself unto Ahab; and I will send rain upon the earth.**" —1 Kings 18: 1.

But we must remember that the title Elijah when used eschatologically, unless we are to anticipate him to personally revisit the earth from Heaven, is used in a figurative sense; it is a metaphoric title. It is employed descriptively to specify the work which the Lord's end-time servant is to do. In this case, he is to visit Israel, the Black American populous found amidst the Sunday keeping churches, and to warn Davidia of the impending judgment. He is not sent to the nominal brethren of the SDA church, which in this age, unlike the time of literal Elijah, is also very corrupt. However, different Bible texts use different titles to describe the same work as it is expanded to wider dimensions. Take *Isa 49* for example: there, he is described, not as Elijah, but as the man, Israel, the ruler of both houses. It says,

"Listen O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The Lord hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name...And said unto me, Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified...And now, saith the Lord that formed me from thee womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the Lord, and my God shall be my strength. And he said, it is a light thing

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that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth. ... Thus saith the Lord, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people...

—Isa 49: 1-8.

Notice the full text from this greatly ignored, *golden-Bowl* passage. The same man, the one who is called Israel, has several assignments:

- **First, he gathers divided Davidia, the isles, he does so by requiring them to ignore the nay Sayers and to listen and hearken unto him.**
- **Secondly, he does Elijah’s job by gathering scattered Israel, a people in this context who are clearly outside of the SDA Church, “not gathered”.**
- **Thirdly, this same singular individual is described as a light, not just to Davidia and Israel, but also for the gentiles. Remember, David’s household was promised to be a light forever —see 2 Sam 21: 17; 23: 2-4; 2 Chron 21:7; 1 Kings 11: 36; 2 Kings 8: 19, etc.**
- **Finally, to stitch all of these assignments together, he is called “a covenant of the people”.**

Therefore, in this same text, the very same man has several assignments; each, if they were described separately, may require a different name. But he retains the name Israel with a qualification. He is also the “*covenant of the people*” to also show that he is the same man whom the Bible also describes as “David” —see below Isa 55: 2-4. He, as a singular individual, is called Israel to reflect the man, Jacob, who produced —in this case assembles— all twelve sons, the rulers of the twelve tribes. For ancient Jacob’s name was changed to Israel after he was blessed by Christ. But you asked about Elijah. This title speaks to a very narrow assignment that Antitypical David, AKA, Israel has on his agenda. Remember again, in the type, Elijah, was sent to reform Ancient-Ten-Tribe Israel. Today, this is the second item on the agenda of the individual called Israel as described above. Like children, Ten-Tribe Israel today is devoid of spiritual knowledge; they are ensnared and entrapped in holes; they are oppressed and afflicted. They not only need the *Rod* to free them, but they also need water from the Rock to cure their long years of drought and to quench their thirst. Just as was ancient, 10-Tribe Israel found enmeshed in false worship and superstition; modern Israel is likewise confused over God’s identity. They, as the sons and daughters of America’s former slaves in the Sunday-keeping churches, are a people whom we have completely ignored in our ministry. But, unless Davidia now embraces them with the love that one has for his very own children, unless the hearts of the fathers are turned to the children, there is no hope for the earth, the Lord will smite it with a curse.

Isaiah 55 makes this connection quite clear. It shows that the “Antitypical Israel” described in chapter 49 is indeed the same as the man referred to in other text as David. It shows his mission to evangelize a poor, spiritually distraught, and thirsty people, a people who uselessly squandered their money, their faith, on doctrines that will not sustain them, on that which is not bread —that which is not true Christian doctrine. To illustrate consider their faith in the immortality of the soul, their belief that a spirit leaves their bodies at death and goes to Heaven —what a vain concept. *Isaiah* says:

“Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. Behold, I have given him for a witness (a light) to the people, a leader and commander to the people... Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.” —Isa 55: 1-7.

Notice, this text shows what other Scripture manifests in even clearer terms: This *golden-Bowl* validated cry, is not to the SDA Church nor to the world, but to Israel. For it is to a people who not only spend their money, their faith, on doctrines which cannot preserve nor save them, but who are

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also invited to return to the Lord for pardon indicating a historical connection to the Lord in times past. This is the same message which Paul spoke to when he said the following:

“For I would not, brethren that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved; as it is written, there shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob. For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins”—Romans 11: 25-27.

Paul spoke these words centuries ago; yet, until the MSC, it was a “mystery” which none understood. Clearly therefore, the antitypical Israel of *Isa 49* is the same as David, the covenant to the people, described in *Isa 55*, who is likewise the same as “the deliverer” whom Paul promised would take his ministry out of the SDA church, “out of Sion”, in order to evangelize, the ungodly, Israel, the 144,000. The Lord uses the term Elijah to define this portion of David’s commission. In harmony with this theme, you must remember that Elijah was also shown the similitude of the Lord. It was after his victory on Mt Carmel and his flight from Jezebel that the angel of the Lord took Elijah on a forty day journey to Horeb, “the mount of God”, the very place where Christ, almost 3500 years ago from today, three-and-one-half days of divinity, spoke directly to Israel. It was there that the Lord gave to Elijah a greater understanding of His character, His similitude. Elijah was told: “... **Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains...**” —1 King 19:11. Like Moses, Elijah was shown some of the magnificence of the Lord. But most importantly, he was shown that as mighty and as terrible as are the wind, the earthquake, and the fire, the Lord promised to not speak to His people through such menacing channels again: He is promised to be with the still small voice. He will gently plead with His people; thus did the Lord affirm and the *Rod* recited that the Kingdom of Heaven will begin as a grain of mustard seed: it will be the Lord’s petitions to His people with His still small voice. Therefore, I urge all Davidia, “today, if you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.” Allow Elijah; AKA, Israel; AKA, David; AKA, the *mustard seed*; AKA Derek West, to reveal to you the similitude of the Lord. Allow him to open up to you the Bible and to show you the complete Savior as EGW recommended. Lest you think that you know Him already, remember, VTH & EGW as well as the Davidic and SDA elders have not been shown and therefore do not know the Lord’s similitude. Thus have they fed into the Papal doctrine of Christ, the doctrine of the Triune God. But, today the Lord seeks to enlighten us; therefore are we reminded by the Comforter of His words when Christ said, “**All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal...**” —Luke 10: 22.

David is amongst us awaiting the day when Christ makes His invisible return so as to take the reins in His own hands as He clandestinely hides upon His servant so that He may plead face to face with Israel. This is the day that is now almost upon us; therefore, the Lord will recover Israel from the Sunday Keeping Churches, bring them into Zion before the Slaughter of *Ezek nine*, and show the Adventist brethren the great and wonderful opportunities which they have missed. Then the Slaughter will take place. But who in the SDA Church will abide in that day? This is the question that Elijah was sent to answer. The survivors of *Ezek nine* will be those saints who embrace the communications spoken of by Christ—not from Sinai, but— during Jesus’ three-and-one-half-year ministry as He, Christ, secretly hid and abode upon Jesus. Thus does *Revelation 12* also affirm:

“And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman... And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood... And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ”—Rev 12: 15-17.

This catastrophe will only leave the righteous among Davidia; they are the woman of *Rev 12*. And her newly born children, Israel will be “the remnant of her seed”. This is the day of Israel’s restitution from her 3000 years of captivity which has culminated in her most excruciating trauma,

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The *Time of Jacob's Trouble*, the African-American Slave experience, her three divine years of drought which Elijah is to cure.

I know that this will shock you, but your shock could only be due to your failure to carefully read the entire *Rod* message. All in America were shocked on September 11, 2001; likewise was the case on the day when Pearl Harbor was attacked, and also when hurricane Katrina viciously ravaged the Gulf Coast. Surprise and shock occurs when events violate our presumptions and expectations. Thus America went into shock, not because they did not have clear warning signals, but because their leaders failed to heed the intelligence at their disposal, the people issuing the warnings were too small and too insignificant. Likewise will many in Davidia be shocked and surprised at how the Lord will finish His work. In the *Rod* VTH warned all that Elijah, or to use his synonym, the *mustard seed*, is to emerge in a manner that is completely beyond all human expectation and planning.

“Mustard seed being the smallest of all seeds this parable shows that that which is to start the Kingdom will be very insignificant, contrary to all human expectation. Nevertheless, like the mustard plant becomes the biggest of all herbs, so the Kingdom shall grow and become the greatest of all kingdoms. This being contrary to all human planning, it is but natural that those who are like Nicodemus, and continue to be ashamed to be identified with something that is unpopular, hated, and insignificant, will as a result be left out of the Kingdom” —VT Houteff, 2TG, 11p.6.

Look at Henry's bitterness and contempt. He wrote the following baseless antipathy towards the Lord's newly revealed and unexpected Mustard Seed Kingdom:

“Those that go after the writings of the apostate potential 13, are putting themselves on dangerous ground. Some like _____ have never been on the platform, having come in over the fence, and needs to examine more closely the Open Door. Others like Derek should be shunned and given no open door to communicate. These run and have no message except the imaginations of their mind, such doors to his ungodly message should be closed by simply not responding.” —Dec 30th, 2006, 4:04 PM E-mail sent to the forum, edited for spelling corrections

Many in Davidia will adopt this very embittered demeanor when they are shown, as he has been shown, the commission of the *mustard seed*, the resuscitation of America's former slaves, Israel the true. Many have absolutely no desire to be associated with something *“that is unpopular, hated, and insignificant”*. The command of the Lord to love your neighbor as yourself, a mandate given during Jesus' ministry to be good Samaritans —to extend help to those who have been attacked by criminals and left comatosed in the streets— has no appeal to them. Elijah emerges and shows evidence from the Bible and the SOP that we are to be judged by the *Testimony of Jesus*, by His three-and-one-half-year ministry. Those who fail to keep the commands issued during that testimony will not escape the Slaughter. Hatred and haters of humanity, especially of the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob have no place in the Kingdom. For Christ Himself, after showing the parable of the *Good Samaritan* looked to His true disciples and said, *“Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he (the inquisitive lawyer) said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.”* —Luke 10: 36, 37. Will you, my brethren, keep the commandments of God; will you embrace the testimony of Jesus? Or will you be classed with the pretenders, those pious religious leaders who, in the busy course of their duties, crossed over to the other side?

“I have a most earnest interest in the work to be done among the colored people. This is a branch of work that has been strangely neglected. The reason that this large class of human beings, who have souls to save or to lose, have been so long neglected, is the prejudice that the white people have felt and manifested against mingling with them in religious worship. They have been despised, shunned, and treated with abhorrence, as though crime were upon them, when they were helpless and in need, when men should have labored most earnestly for their salvation. They have been treated without pity. The priest and the Levites have looked upon their wretchedness, and have passed by on the other side.” EG White, *Southern Works*, p. 19 (see also R & H, April, 2, 1895).

“The Southern [work] has been neglected. Men have passed by on the other side, as the priest and the Levites passed by the wounded, robbed, bruised, and beaten one”

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“... Why should not Seventh-day Adventists become true laborers together with God in seeking to save the souls of the colored race? Instead of a few, why should not many go forth to labor in this long-neglected field?... Are we not called upon to do this very work? Are there not many who need to learn to love God supremely and their fellow men as themselves? In the southern field are many thousands of people who have souls to save or to lose”.

“Why, O why, has not more been done to diffuse light into the darkened minds of the colored race? Christ died for the colored people as verily as He died for the white people. Those whom the Lord sees neglected by us have been entrusted with reasoning powers, and yet they have been treated as though they had no souls. They have been wounded by a so-called Christian nation. They have been left by the wayside, and decided efforts will have to be made to counteract the wrong that has been done them.” —EG White, *Southern Works*, p. 26-29 (See also R & H, April 2, 1895) bracket added.

As I close this letter, please bear in mind that all the issues presented in this E-mail are even more carefully articulated in my writings over the past 12 years. They appear in the following booklets: 1.0, *The Word of the Lord Unto Zerubbabel*; 2.0,1, *From Beyond the Rivers of Ethiopia*; 4.0, *The Power, the Son, and the Glory*; and 4.1, *Journey through the Murky Boggs*. Each of these is available, free of charge, and should be read thoroughly to address your questions.

Sincerely,

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